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INTERPUNCTION. *n. f.* [*interpunctio*, Fr. *interpunctio*, Latin.] Pointing between words or sentences.
INTERREGNUM. *n. f.* [Lat.] The time in which a throne is vacant between the death of a prince and accession of another.

Next ensu'd a vacancy,
 Thousand worse passions than posses'd
 The interregnum of my breast:
 Bless me from such an anarchy!
 He would shew the queen my memorial with the first opportunity, in order to have it done in this interregnum or suspension of title.

INTERREGNUM. *n. f.* [*interregne*, Fr. *interregnum*, Latin.] Vacancy of the throne.

The king knew there could not be any interregnum or suspension of title.

TO INTERROGATE. *v. a.* [*interrogo*, Lat. *interrogo*, Fr.] To examine; to question.

TO INTERROGATE. *v. n.* To ask; to put questions.

By his instructions touching the queen of Naples, it seemeth he could *interrogate* touching beauty.

His proof will easily be retorted by *interrogating*. Shall the adulterer and the drunkard inherit the kingdom of God.

INTERROGATION. *n. f.* [*interrogatio*, Fr. *interrogatio*, Latin.]

1. A question put; an enquiry.

How demurely soever such men may pretend to sanctity, that *interrogation* of God presses hard upon them, shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

This variety is obtained by *interrogations* to things inanimate; by beautiful digressions, but those short.

2. A note that marks a question: thus? as, Does *Job* serve God for naught?

INTERROGATIVE. *adj.* [*interrogativus*, Fr. *interrogativus*, Latin.] Denoting a question; expressed in a questionary form of words.

INTERROGATIVE. *n. f.* A pronoun used in asking questions: as, who? what? which? whether?

INTERROGATIVELY. *adv.* [from *interrogative*.] In form of a question.

INTERROGATOR. *n. f.* [from *interrogate*.] An asker of questions.

INTERROGATORY. *n. f.* [*interrogatoire*, French.] A question; an enquiry.

He with no more civility, though with much more business than those under-fellows had shewed, began in captious manner to put *interrogatories* unto him.

Nor time, nor place,
 Will serve long *interrogatories*.

What earthly name to *interrogatories*
 Can talk the free breath of a sacred king.

The examination was summed up with one question, Whether he was prepared for death? The boy was frightened out of his wits by the last dreadful *interrogatory*.

INTERROGATORY. *adj.* Containing a question; expressing a question.

TO INTERRUPT. *v. a.* [*interrompre*, Fr. *interrompre*, Latin.]

1. To hinder the process of any thing by breaking in upon it.

Like interrupted waters, and o'erbear
 What they are used to bear.

He might securely enough have engaged his body of horse against their whole inconsiderable army, there being neither tree nor bush to *interrupt* his charge.

This motion of the heavenly bodies seems partly *interrupted*, as that of the first moveable interpolated and *interrupted*.

2. To hinder one from proceeding by interposition.

Answer not before thou hast heard the cause; neither *interrupt* men in the midst of their talk.

3. To divide; to separate.

Sceth thou what rage
 Transports our adversary, whom no bounds,
 Nor yet the main abyss wide *interrupt*, can hold.

INTERRUPTEDLY. *adv.* [from *interrupted*.] Not in continuity; not without stoppages.

The incident light that meets with a grosser liquor, will have its beams either refracted or imbibed, or else reflected more or less *interruptedly* than they would be, if the body had been unmoistened.

INTERRUPTER. *n. f.* [from *interrupt*.] He who interrupts.

INTERUPTION. *n. f.* [*interruptio*, Fr. *interruptio*, Latin.]

1. Interposition; breach of continuity.

Places severed from the continent by the interruption of the sea.

2. Intervention; interposition.

You are to touch the one as soon as you have given a stroke of the pencil to the other, lest the interruption of time cause you to lose the idea of one part.

3. Hindrance; stop; let; obstruction.

Bloody England into England gone,
 O'erbearing *interruption*, spite of France.

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This way of thinking on what we read, will be a rub only in the beginning; when custom has made it familiar, it will be dispatched without resting or *interruption* in the course of our reading.

Amidst the *interruptions* of his sorrow, seeing his penitent overwhelmed with grief, he was only able to bid her be comforted.

INTERSCAPULAR. *adj.* [*inter and scapula*, Latin.] Placed between the shoulders.

TO INTERSCIND. *v. a.* [*inter and scindo*, Latin.] To cut off by interruption.

TO INTERSCRIBE. *v. a.* [*inter and scribo*, Lat.] To write between.

INTERSECTANT. *adj.* [*intersecans*, Latin.] Dividing any thing into parts.

TO INTERSECT. *v. a.* [*interseco*, Lat.] To cut; to divide each other mutually.

Perfect and viviparous quadrupeds so stand in their position of proneness, that the opposite joints of neighbour legs consist in the same plane; and a line descending from their navel *intersects* at right angles the axis of the earth.

Excited by a vigorous loadstone, it will somewhat depress its animated extreme, and *intersect* the horizontal circumference.

TO INTERSECT. *v. n.* To meet and cross each other.

The sagittal suture usually begins at that point where these lines *intersect*.

INTERSECTION. *n. f.* [*intersectio*, Lat. from *intersect*.] Point where lines cross each other.

They did spout over interchangeably from side to side in forms of arches, without any *intersection* or meeting aloft, because the pipes were not opposite.

The first star of Aries, in the time of Meton the Athenian, was placed in the very *intersection*, which is now elongated, and moved eastward twenty-eight degrees.

Ships would move in one and the same surface; and consequently must needs encounter, when they either advance towards one another in direct lines, or meet in the *intersection* of cross ones.

TO INTERSECT. *v. a.* [*interseco*, Lat.] To put in between other things.

If I may *intersect* a short philosophical speculation, the depth of the sea is determined in Pliny to be fifteen furlongs.

INTERSECTION. *n. f.* [from *intersect*.] An intersection, or thing inserted between any thing.

These two *intersections* were clear explications of the apostle's old form, God the father, ruler of all, which contained an acknowledgement of the unity.

TO INTERSPERSE. *v. a.* [*interspersus*, Lat.] To scatter here and there among other things.

The possibility of a body's moving into a void space beyond the utmost bounds of body, as well as into a void space *interspersed* amongst bodies, will always remain clear.

It is the editor's interest to infer what the author's judgment had rejected; and care is taken to *intersperse* these additions in such a manner, that scarce any book can be bought without purchasing something unworthy of the author.

INTERSPERSION. *n. f.* [from *intersperse*.] The act of scattering here and there.

For want of the *interspersions* of now and then an elegiac or a lyric ode.

INTERSTELLAR. *adj.* [*inter and stellar*, Lat.] Intervening between the stars.

The *interstellar* sky hath so much affinity with the star, that there is a rotation of that as well as of the star.

INTERSTITIAL. *n. f.* [*interstitium*, Lat. *interstitium*, Latin.]

1. Space between one thing and another.

The sun shining through a large prism upon a comb placed immediately behind the prism, his light, which passed through the *interstices* of the teeth fell upon a white paper: the breadths of the teeth were equal to their *interstices*, and seven teeth together with their *interstices* took up an inch in breadth.

2. Time between one act and another.

I will point out the *interstices* of time which ought to be between one citation and another.

INTERSTITIAL. *adj.* [from *interstitium*.] Containing interstices.

In oiled papers, the *interstitial* division being actuated by the accession of oil, becometh more transparent.

INTERTEXTURE. *n. f.* [*intertextus*, Latin.] Diversification of things mingled or woven one among another.

TO INTERTWINE. *v. a.* [*inter and twine*, or *twist*.] To unite

TO INTERTWIST. *v. a.* by twisting one in another.

Under some concourse of shades,
 Whose branching arms thick *intertwined* might shield
 From dews and damps of night his shaggy head.

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INTERVAL. *n. f.* [*intervallum*, Fr. *intervallum*, Latin.]

1. Space between places; interstice; vacancy; space unoccupied; void place; vacancy; vacant space.

With any obstacle let all the light be now stopped which passes through any one *interval* of the teeth, so that the range of colours which comes from thence may be taken away, and you will see the light of the rest of the ranges to be expanded into the place of the range taken away, and there to be coloured.

2. Time passing between two assignable points.

The century and half following, to the end of the third Punic war, was a very busy period at Rome; the *intervals* between every war being so short.

3. Remission of a delirium or distemper.

Though he had a long illness, considering the great heat with which it raged, yet his *intervals* of sense being few and short, left but little room for the offices of devotion.

TO INTERVENE. *v. n.* [*intervenio*, Lat. *intervenir*, Fr.] To come between things or persons; to be intercepted; to make intervals.

While so near each other thus all day
 Our talk we chafe, what wonder, if so near,
 Looks *intervene*, and smiles.

15. The danger of an action, and the possibilities of miscarriage, and every cross accident that can *intervene*, to be either a mercy on God's part, or a fault on ours.

INTERVENE. *n. f.* [from the verb.] Opposition, or perhaps interview. A word out of use.

They had some sharper and some milder differences, which might easily happen in such an *intervene* of grandes, both vehement on the parts which they sway.

INTERVENIENT. *adj.* [*interveniens*, Lat. *interveniens*, French.] Intercurrent; interposed; passing between.

There be *interveniens* in the life of eight, in tones, two bemols or half notes.

Many arts were used to discuss new affection: all which notwithstanding, for I omit things *interveniens*, there is conveyed to Mr. Villiers an intimation of the king's pleasure to be worn his servant.

INTERVENTION. *n. f.* [*interventio*, Fr. *interventio*, Latin.]

1. Agency between persons.

God will judge the world in righteousness by the *intervention* of the man Christ Jesus, who is the Saviour as well as the judge of the world.

2. Agency between antecedents and consequents.

In the dispensation of God's mercies to the world, some things he does by himself, others by the *intervention* of natural means, and by the mediation of such instruments as he has appointed.

3. Interposition; the state of being interposed.

Sound is shut out by the *intervention* of that lax membrane, and not suffered to pass into the inward ear.

TO INTERVERT. *v. a.* [*intervo*, Lat.] To turn to another course.

The duke *interverted* the bargain, and gave the poor widow of Epernius for the books five hundred pounds.

INTERVIEW. *n. f.* [*entrevue*, French.] Mutual fight; fight of each other. It is commonly used for a formal and appointed meeting or conference.

The day will come, when the passions of former enmity being allayed, we shall with ten times redoubled tokens of reconciled love shew ourselves each towards other the same, which Joseph and the brethren of Joseph were at the time of their *interview* in Egypt.

His fears were, that the *interview* betwixt England and France might, through their amity, breed him some prejudice.

Such happy *interviews*, and fair event
 Of love, and youth not lost, songs, garlands, flow'rs,
 And charming symphonies, attach'd the heart
 Of Adam.

TO INTERVOLVE. *v. a.* [*intervolvio*, Latin.] To involve one within another.

Mystical dance! which yonder starry sphere
 Of planets, and of fix'd, in all her wheels
 Resembles nearest; mazes intricate,
 Eccentric, *intervolv'd*, yet regular,
 Then most, when most irregular, they seem.

TO INTERWEAVE. *v. a.* preter. *interwove*, part. pass. *interwoven*, *interwove*, or *interwoven*. [*inter and weave*.] To mix one with another in a regular texture; to intermingle.

Then laid him down
 Under the hospitable covert night
 Of trees thick *interwoven*.

Words *interwove* with sighs found out their way.

I sat me down to watch upon a bank
 With ivy canopied, and *interwove*
 With haunting honeyfuckle.

Can say here nature ends, and art begins,
 But mixt like th' elements, and born like twins,

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So *interwoven'd*, so like, so much the same:
 None, this mere nature, that mere art can name.

The proud theatres disclose the scene,
 Which *interwoven* Britons seem to raise,
 And show the triumph which their shame displays.

He so *interweaves* truth with probable fiction, that he puts a pleasing falacy upon us.

It appeared a vast ocean planted with islands, that were covered with fruits and flowers, and *interwoven* with a thousand little shining seas that ran among them.

It is a confusion of kitchen and parterre, orchard and flower-garden, which lie so mixt and *interwoven* with one another, as to look like a natural wilderness.

The Supreme Infinite could not make intelligent creatures, without implanting in their natures a most ardent desire, *interwoven* in the substance of their spiritual natures, of being reunited with himself.

I do not altogether disapprove the *interweaving* texts of scripture through the style of your sermon.

TO INTERWISH. *v. a.* [*inter and wish*.] To wish mutually to each other.

The venom of all stepdames, gamester's gall,
 What tyrants and their subjects *interwish*,
 All ill fall on that man.

INTESTABLE. *adj.* [*intestabilis*, Latin.] Disqualified to make a will.

A person excommunicated is rendered infamous and *intestable* both actively and passively.

INTESTATE. *adj.* [*intestat*, Fr. *intestat*, Latin.] Wanting a will; dying without will.

Why should calamity be full of words?
 —Windy attorneys to their client woes,
 Airy succeders of *intestate* joys,
 Poor breathing orators of miseries.

Present punishment pursues his maw,
 When forfeited and swell'd, the peacock raw,
 He bears into the bath; whence want of breath,
 Repletions, apoplex, *intestate* death.

INTESTINAL. *adj.* [*intestinalis*, Fr. from *intestine*.] Belonging to the guts.

The mouths of the lacteals are opened by the *intestinal* tube, affecting a straight instead of a spiral cylinder.

INTESTINE. *adj.* [*intestin*, Fr. *intestinus*, Latin.]

1. Internal; inward; not external.

Of these inward and *intestine* enemies to prayer, there are our past sins to wound us, our present cares to distract us, our distempered passions to disorder us, and a whole swarm of loose and floating imaginations to molest us.

Intestine war no more our passions wage,
 Ev'n giddy factions hear away their rage.

2. Contained in the body.

Intestine stone, and ulcer, cholick pangs,
 And moon-struck madnels.

A wooden jack, which had almost
 Lost, by disuse, the art to roast,
 A sudden alteration feels,
 Increas'd by new *intestine* wheels.

3. Domestick, not foreign. I know not whether the word be properly used in the following example of *Shakespeare*: perhaps for mortal and *intestine* should be read mortal *intestine*.

Since the mortal and *intestine* jars
 Twixt thy seditious countrymen and us,
 It hath in solemn synods been decreed,
 T' admit no traffick to our adverse towns.

But God, or Nature, while they thus contend,
 To these *intestine* discords put an end.

She saw her sons with purple deaths expire,
 A dreadful series of *intestine* wars,
 Inglorious triumphs, and dishonest fears.

INTESTINE. *n. f.* [*intestinum*, Lat. *intestine*, Fr.] The gut; the bowel: most commonly without a singular.

The *intestines* or guts may be inflamed by an acrid substance taken inwardly.

TO INTHRALL. *v. a.* [*in and thrall*.] To enslave; to shackle; to reduce to servitude. A word now seldom used, at least in prose.

What though I be *inthrall'd*, he seems a knight,
 And will not any way dishonour me.

The Turk has sought to extinguish the ancient memory of those people which he has subjected and *inthrall'd*.

Authors to themselves in all
 Both what they judge, and what they choose; for so
 I form'd them free, and free they must remain
 Till they *inthrall* themselves.

She soothes, but never can *inthrall* my mind:
 Why may not peace and love for once be join'd.

INTHRALMENT. *n. f.* [from *inthrall*.] Servitude; slavery.

Moses and Aaron, sent from God to claim
 His people from *inthrallment*, they return
 With glory, and spoil, back to their promis'd land.

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